

Mustang Minute: October 30, 2015

******Set your clocks back 1 hour this weekend!!!!**

Next Week's PBIS Raffle: Star in the next PBIS Video- Cafeteria

Fall Conference Sign Up: MES will once again use Signup Genius for parents to sign up for Parent/Teacher Conferences in November. This year's sign-up will go live on Friday, Nov. 6 around 8:00AM. The reason for the later sign-up is to eliminate frequent changes that occur with times between now and the end of November. Also, many parents have been requesting different dates for their conference as families are leaving to go out of town. You may reach out to teachers, but be aware they may not be able to reschedule a time. We have many options to choose from on November 23 and 24. Please work with your child's teacher to find a good time on those dates that work for you.

Wall of Heroes: In honor of Veteran's Day, Millburn Elementary School will be doing a Millburn Military Wall of Heroes. We'd love to honor both past and present military heroes of all branches of service. Students are given a template to fill in. All that is needed is a picture of your hero (no originals please), his/her name, his/her branch of service and why he/she is your hero. (Please put the child's name and homeroom on the template so we may return the document to them when done). Return the completed templates no later than **Nov. 3rd** so we can hang them for Veteran's Day. Extras may be found in the Virtual Backpack.

Pictures While Visiting the School: As many of you know, we have many families in the district that wish not to have their child photographed. We know there are times when parents come in for events or celebrations and are taking pictures and recording video. Sometimes these pictures/videos are posted to social media. Please be respectful of parents' wishes and refrain from posting pictures or recording video of other students. Thank you for your cooperation.

PBIS Fundraiser: Throughout the year, we provide incentives for students as part of our positive approach to student behavior. To help in our efforts to provide these incentives, we are having a Hat Day on Wednesday, November 4. Students who donate a dollar may wear their hat during the school day. Please help us in making our PBIS program a positive one for our students.

Food Drive: Thank you to everyone donating items for the food drive this week. We collected MANY items and it will be given to the local food pantry. Thank you on behalf of MES Student Counsel.

Math Challenge: Math Challenge #3 is in this week's Virtual Backpack. Again, we are looking at money! Answers need to be submitted by next Thursday. Good luck! If you are having trouble with the link below, cut and paste the link in your browser to submit answers.

Submit Answers: <http://goo.gl/forms/XieR0rNQEB>

Book Challenge: Our official count is only 564 books read so far. We need to get to 3,000 by the end of November to stay on track to get over 15,000 book read. We need everyone's help!!!

[Book Challenge](#)

PTO News

PTO DIRECTORY!! Some completed PTO registration forms included in last years' registration packets were located late this week. We apologize that these forms were moved over the summer and therefore the PTO Board did not receive them in their usual timeframe. Unfortunately, this will cause a delay in finalizing the PTO Directory. We will get these registrations processed as quickly as possible and you should expect the Directory by mid-November, hopefully by the week of conferences. Thanks for your patience and understanding.

MES HALLOWEEN PARTY CELEBRATIONS!! Milburn PTO is sponsoring the Halloween Classroom Parties TODAY! The

parties are held in the classrooms for grades K-5 from 1-2pm. Parent volunteers will be organizing games and fun activities for each classroom! Thanks parent volunteers!!

MMS HALLOWEEN DJ!! Millburn PTO is sponsoring a DJ during all of the recesses today. Students will have a little Halloween fun, dance and have the chance to earn Suzy's Swirls gift cards!!

MES FAMILY FUN NIGHT!! We are looking for ghouls and goblins to join us TONIGHT for the Family Fun Night! Come play bingo with family and friends. Put on your best costume for the Halloween costume contest. Bring a non-perishable food item for the Lake Villa Food Pantry. It's sure to be a scary good night! Know what else is scary good? Being a co-chair for this fun committee! Please contact the PTO Board if interested. We would love to have you join us!

MMS ACTIVITY NIGHT!! The FIRST Middle School Activity Night is TONIGHT, October 30th. It's a **PINK OUT!** Students may choose to dress for the theme by wearing face paint, and or hair paint. Masks can be worn, but cannot cover more than $\frac{1}{2}$ of the face. This is a chance for them to be creative, however, please adhere to the dress code regarding short/skirt length, and no showing of any undergarments. Failure to abide by these rules will result in the student being asked to return home to change. **THE DROP OFF/PICK UP PROCEDURE IS VERY IMPORTANT!**

DROP OFF

6th grade- 6pm, MAIN entrance

7th/8th grade- 6:30pm, MAIN entrance

PICK UP

6th grade- 8:30, MAIN entrance

7th/8th grade- 9:00 ACTIVITY entrance

For pick up, please pull in and find a parking spot. You can meet your child at the canopy area. You can also use the pickup lane but if everyone does this, the line of traffic will stretch out to ROUTE 45! No student will be allowed to walk or ride a bike home. Admission to the event is \$2.00. Drinks, candy, and pizza will be available for purchase. All students attending MUST have a current student ID to show at the door. **NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.** Students CANNOT go to their lockers to retrieve forgotten ID's, as the hallway doors are locked. If you need to leave before the Activity Night is over, YOUR parent must sign you out!

These rules are NOT negotiable! Interested in volunteering? Contact Tracy Dwyer at tudwyer@comcast.net.

WORLD'S FINEST CHOCOLATES!! As many of you know, Market Day was acquired by World's Finest Chocolate this past summer, and they are committed to helping us reach our fundraising goals. The holiday brochure will be coming home on Monday, November 2 with your youngest student and the sale will run for two weeks, ending Friday, November 13. If each family in the District purchases just 3 items, we will reach our goal of \$10,000! This profit is invested right back into the District and funds events and purchases for both schools all year long. THANKS for your support!

BOX TOPS!! Congratulations to Rachel Colwell, 4E who was the winner of our September drawing for a \$25 Visa gift card. Thank you to our top 10 contributors who received a certificate at Thursday's assembly: Caralyn Whalen, Ethan Kuh, Elliott Beckhorn, Annabelle Beaman, Camryn Allmon, Olivia Heft, Tyler Glowinski, Evan Clark, Hannah Jacobson, Lauren Rymer. Don't forget, the next turn in date is this coming Monday, November 2. If you have more than 10 Box tops to submit, you can put them in a plastic baggie with your student's name and the number of Box tops. They will receive one entry to the October drawing per 10 Box tops submitted.

WENDY'S NIGHT!! Join us next Tuesday, November 3, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Lindenhurst Wendy's located at the intersection of Rt. 45 and Sand Lake. Dine in or carry out! Wendy's will donate 15% of all sales back to Millburn PTO.

KIDS RESALE!! THANK YOU to Margaret Muscia, Becky Varga and Jaylene Guziak, Kid's Resale Chairpersons, for all of their hard work and commitment to last weekend's event. So many hours go into this PTO fundraiser, and their dedication is truly appreciated. And thank you to all of their volunteers who contributed. Your time makes a difference!

Upcoming Events: MES HALLOWEEN CLASSROOM PARTIES 10/30, MMS HALLOWEEN DJ 10/30, MES FAMILY FUN NIGHT & MMS ACTIVITY NIGHT 10/30, BOX TOPS DUE 11/2, WORLD'S FINEST CHOCOLATES SALE 11/2-11/13, WENDY'S NIGHT 11/3

If I can be of any assistance or if you have questions, please contact me at bwalshire@millburn24.net or (847) 356-8331.

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November

4th Hat Day PBIS Fundraiser, 1:00 Early Release
6th Parent/Teacher Conference Sign-Up Goes Live
23-24 Parent Teacher Conferences and Book Fair in East Gym
25-27 Thanksgiving Break
29th Spirit Day (Wear School Colors)

***Remember to view the Millburn Elementary calendar online to find all the events and activities.**

Virtual Backpack:

Math Challenge #3
Math Challenge #2 Answers
GHNS Booster Sale
Alzheimer's Association Educational Program
Warren Special Recreation Association Track Event

Link to Virtual Backpack: <http://www.millburn24.net/parents.cfm?subpage=1225444>